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SUBJ: ONE RESULT OF BERMUDA'S FOUR DAY GENERAL STRIKE

REF: HAMILTON 267 AND 277

1. AS A RESULT OF WORKING WITH BERMUDA AIR SERVICES (BAS) MANAGEMENT DURING/4 DAY STRIKE AIRLINES ARE NOW CONVINCED THAT IF AIRLINES PERSONNEL DID NOT ASSIST BAS WITH GROUND SUPPORT OPERATIONS THERE WOULD BE NO WAY THAT REGULAR SCHEDULED FLIGHTS COULD BE ADEQUATELY SERVICED. BAS SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL CAN NOT AND COULD NOT OPERATE GROUND SUPPORT SERVICES ALONE AND MAINTAIN SCHEDULES. AT BEST THERE WOULD BE ONE AND A HALF TO TWO HOUR DELAY ON EACH PLANE.

2. AIRLINES PERSONNEL ASSISTED BAS AS THE STRIKE WAS NOT ON A LABOR MANAGEMENT DISPUTE BASIS, AND THERE

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WERE NO PICKETS. HOWEVER SHOULD A LABOR DISPUTE UNCLASSIFIED

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STRIKE OCCUR AND IF PICKETS WERE USED AIRLINES WOULD

THEN REFUSE TO ASSIST BAS WITH GROUND SERVICES.

3. AIRLINES WOULD UNDER THOSE STRIKE CONDITIONS
SEVERELY CURTAIL NUMBER OF FLIGHTS POSSIBLY GOING TO
SOME POOL ARRANGEMENT WITH A LIMITED NUMBER OF
FLIGHTS FROM BOSTON, NEW YORK AND BALTIMORE.

4. SO FAR ALL FLIGHTS HAVE BEEN OPERATED ON SCHEDULE
AND THERE HAS NOT BEEN ANY LABOR ACTIVITY OF ANY KIND.

BAS-BIU RESUME NEGOTIATIONS 2:30 P.M. AUG. 21. BIU

CALLED RALLY FOR MONDAY EVENING AUG 20

STRIKE END/ED MIDNIGHT 20 AUG.

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